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Dear _____

We are pleased that you have chosen to reside at _____ We at have been _____ studying the changes that are occurring in the management of apartment communities. Secondhand smoke is a health hazard, especially for children, the elderly, and persons with chronic illnesses. Therefore, many owners are deciding to regulate the use of tobacco products within their properties.

According to the 2010 U.S. Surgeon General’s Report, there is no safe exposure to secondhand smoke. The American Academy of Pediatrics says that “children exposed to secondhand tobacco smoke are at greater risk for a variety of illnesses, even at very low levels of exposure” and air filtration systems and other ventilation systems do not eliminate this health hazard. In addition, smoking materials are also twice as likely to be the cause of fires in apartment buildings, compared to one and two-family homes and mobile homes (National Fire Protection Association).

To ensure the enjoyment, health and safety of all persons living here, we are considering designating some or all of our apartment units as smoke-free. But first, we would like to hear from you. Please let us know what you think about the idea of policies regarding tobacco use in the building(s) and on the grounds by filling out the short survey below.

Sincerely,

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1. Would you prefer to live in a building where smoking is prohibited inside all apartments?
 Yes No

2. Would you prefer to live in a building where smoking is prohibited on outside property?
 Yes No

3. Do you think *our community* should ban smoking in all of our buildings and its outside properties?
 Yes No

Name _____ Apt, # _____

Comments _____

Please return completed survey to _____
We appreciate your participation.

